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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY

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Applicant BANYU PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD.		

1. This report is the international preliminary examination report, established by this International Preliminary Examining Authority under Article 35 and transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.
2. This REPORT consists of a total of <u>6</u> sheets, including this cover sheet.
3. This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, comprising: a. <input type="checkbox"/> (sent to the applicant and to the International Bureau) a total of _____ sheets, as follows: <input type="checkbox"/> sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications authorized by this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions). <input type="checkbox"/> sheets which supersede earlier sheets, but which this Authority considers contain an amendment that goes beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed, as indicated in item 4 of Box No. I and the Supplemental Box. b. <input type="checkbox"/> (sent to the International Bureau only) a total of (indicate type and number of electronic carrier(s)) _____, containing a sequence listing and/or tables related thereto, in computer readable form only, as indicated in the Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing (see Section 802 of the Administrative Instructions).
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Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the language, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
- ☐ This report is based on translations from the original language into the following language _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:
- ☐ international search (Rule 12.3 and 23.1(b))
- ☐ publication of the international application (Rule 12.4)
- ☐ international preliminary examination (Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3)
2. With regard to the elements of the international application, this report is based on *(replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report)*:
- ☒ the international application as originally filed/furnished
- ☐ the description:
- pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
- pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- ☐ the claims:
- nos. _____ as originally filed/furnished
- nos.* _____ as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19
- nos.* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- nos.* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- ☐ the drawings:
- sheets _____ as originally filed/furnished
- sheets* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- sheets* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- ☐ a sequence listing and/or any related table(s) – see Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing.
3. ☐ The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:
- ☐ the description, pages _____
- ☐ the claims, nos. _____
- ☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____
- ☐ the sequence listing (*specify*): _____
- ☐ any table(s) related to sequence listing (*specify*): _____
4. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments annexed to this report and listed below had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).
- ☐ the description, pages _____
- ☐ the claims, nos. _____
- ☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____
- ☐ the sequence listing (*specify*): _____
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* If item 4 applies, some or all of those sheets may be marked "superseded."

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Box No. V	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
1.	Statement
	Novelty (N)
	Claims <u>1-22</u> YES
	Claims _____ NO
	Inventive step (IS)
	Claims <u>1-22</u> YES
	Claims _____ NO
	Industrial applicability (IA)
	Claims <u>1-22</u> YES
	Claims _____ NO
2.	Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)
	Document 1: Indian Journal of Chemistry, Section B: Organic Chemistry Including Medicinal Chemistry, Vol. 28B, No. 11, pages 987 to 989, 1989
	Document 2: Journal of Heterocyclic Chemistry, Vol. 25, No. 3, pages 827 to 830, 1988
	Document 3: EP 156734 A2
	Document 4: JP 4-211085 A
	Document 5: WO 01/034152 A1
	Claims 1 to 14
	With regards to the inventions involving the compounds set forth in claims 1 to 14 of the present application and/or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, although documents 1 to 5 cited in the international search report disclose compounds that have similar chemical structures (e.g., document 1 discloses compounds with chemical structures similar to those of the compounds represented by formula (I-3) set forth in claim 12 of the present application, document 2 discloses compounds with chemical structures similar to those of the compounds represented by formula (I-2) set forth in claim 10 of the present application and document 3

Box No. V

Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability;
citations and explanations supporting such statement

discloses compounds with chemical structures similar to those of the compounds represented by formula (I-3) set forth in claim 11 of the present application), the documents in question do not disclose the moiety represented by the variable W within the group represented by the formula E-O-W set forth in claim 1 of the present application, and said documents do not suggest that it might be possible to employ the moiety that is represented by the variable W, either. Such being the case, the inventions set forth in claims 1 to 14 are novel and involve an inventive step in relation to the documents that are cited in the international search report.

Claims 15 to 22

The inventions set forth in claims 15 to 22 pertain to prescribed antagonists, to prescribed inverse agonists or to prophylactic and therapeutic agents against prescribed diseases, all of which comprise one of the compounds that are set forth in claims 1 to 14 as an active component; meanwhile, the inventions set forth in claims 1 to 14 are novel and involve an inventive step, as is indicated above. Such being the case, the inventions set forth in claims 15 to 22 are also novel and involve an inventive step in relation to the documents that are cited in the international search report in as much as said inventions involve the inventions that are set forth in claims 1 to 14.

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Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made:

The disclosure of claim 1 includes the variable A_4 , which is not defined therein; therefore, the disclosure in question is unclear.

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